GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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SPECIAL CELL TO MONITOR DROUGHT HIT AREAS
KANTI SINGH;RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether leaders of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh had a meeting in August, 2002 regardingsetting up any special cell to monitor foodgrain distribution to the flood and drought hit States for proper implementation of various relief measures;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SH KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a),(b)&(c): To review the flood and drought situation in Bihar and U.P., a meeting was held with elected representatives of these States in August 2002 in which, inter-alia, the flood and drought situation in these States was reviewed in detail. 25,000 tonnes of foodgrains free of cost have been allotted to the State Government of Bihar for distribution among the floodaffected families. 2.00 lakh tonnes of foodgrains have been allotted to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh under the Special Component of the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) for distribution to the drought affected families.